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MEMORANDUM FOR NSC STAFF OFFICERS

SUBJECT: Visits to NSC Staff Offices by Soviet Bloc Diplomatic Personnel

It may be anticipated that on infrequent occasions I will authorize NSC Staff members to be visited in their offices by Soviet Bloc diplomatic personnel.

Since many diplomatic and other official representatives of Soviet Bloc countries stationed in Washington and elsewhere in the United States are under-cover members of their Governments! Intelligence Services, their visits in the Executive Office Building warrant tighter visitor controls than are ordinarily applied. The NSC Staff officer should meet the Bloc visitor at the White House Police desk, escort him to the Staff member's office, and then accompany him back to the White House Police desk where passes are surrendered upon leaving the building. Any Intelligence Service personnel included among the Bloc visitors will thus be denied the opportunity to proceed unescorted through sensitive areas within the Executive Office Building.

Henry A. Kissinger

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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER

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It is understood that occasionally members of the NSC Staff will be visited in their offices by Soviet Bloc diplomatic personnel.

Since many of the diplomatic and other official representatives of Soviet Bloc countries stationed in Washington and elsewhere in the United States are undercover members of their Governments! Intelligence Services, it would appear that their visits in the Executive Office Building warrant tighter visitor controls than are ordinarily applied. This could be accomplished by the NSC Staff officer meeting the Bloc visitor at the White House Police desk, escorting him to the Staff officer's office, and then escorting the visitor back to the White House Police desk where visitors' passes are surrendered upon leaving the building. Any Soviet Bloc intelligence types included among these visitors would in this manner at least be denied the opportunity to roam at will through sensitive areas within the Executive Office Building.

If you agree that the suggested control procedure should be adopted, this will be mentioned at the next NSC Staff meeting.

A. R. Ash